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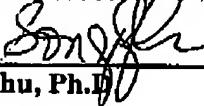
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Please see the attached Reply, along with Petition for (One-Month) Extension of Time and authorization to charge extension fee to Deposit Account 05-1323.

  
Song Zhu, Ph.D.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title	:	Developing Apparatus in an Image Forming Apparatus		

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
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**REPLY**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 30, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Applicant hereby requests that the period to take action in the above-captioned application be extended by one month pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$120.00 extension fee, along with any other requisite fees, to Deposit Account No. 05-1828 (CAM #100689.52860US).**